Maryland Opportunity Zone Leadership Task Force
Kick off meeting
02/22/2019
OZ Milestones

- December 2017  H.R. 1 - Opportunity Zone Legislation passes
- March 2018    Governor Hogan submits nominated OZs
- June 14th     US Treasury designates Maryland’s 149 Opportunity Zones
- July 30th     DHCD / Commerce hold Opportunity Zone Conference
- October 22nd  DHCD presents OZs at MEDA Conference
- October 23rd  Community Development Network – OZ/Bonifant Senior homes
- January 3rd   Governor Hogan OZ Leadership Committee / Legislative Agenda
- February 5th  Montgomery County - OZ forum
- February 14th Rural Maryland Caucus
Background on Opportunity Zones
Opportunity Zones will help connect low-income communities with needed capital.

- **Capital** – U.S. households and corporations were sitting on an estimated **$6.1 trillion** in unrealized capital gains at the end of 2017.

- **Connect** – Opportunity Zones offer a frictionless way for investors to dedicate all or a portion of their winnings to seeding the next generation of enterprise in distressed communities all across the country. In exchange, investors get a graduated series of federal tax incentives tied to long-term holdings.

Source: EIG analysis of the Federal Reserve’s Survey of Consumer Finances and Financial Accounts of the United States
1. Realize gain from any capital gain triggering event
2. Invest in OZ Fund within 180 days
3. Receive 10% step up basis for 5 yr. hold of OZ Fund investment
4. Receive additional 5% step up basis for 7 yr. hold of OZ Fund investment
5. Pay deferred capital gain taxes due for Step 1 (85% of original) by 12/31/2026
6. Receive permanent exemption of capital gains tax for 10 yr. hold on OZ Fund investment
OZ Incentive Timeline

1. Last day to receive FULL OZ incentive (deferred, 15% step up, 100% exemption)
2. Last day to receive 10% step up in basis on OZ investment
3. Last day to receive 100% capital gain exemption on OZ investment, Pay deferred taxes
4. Opportunity Zones expire
5. Last day for OZ investment to receive capital gain exemption
### Investors

- Most valuable for 10 year investments in appreciating assets
- Six months to invest after realizing a capital gain
- Another six months to deploy 90% of capital in Zones
- Capital is required to be an equity investment

### Funds

- All capital must flow through an Opportunity Zone Fund
- Opportunity Zone Funds must be established
- Opportunity Zone Funds are self-certified via an IRS tax form
- 90% of fund assets must be invested in Opportunity Zone

### Investments

- Must be equity investments
- Real estate investments must include substantial rehabilitation
- “Sin businesses” are not eligible
- Other requirements include property use in “active conduct of business” and limits on assets held in cash
Maryland Opportunity Zones
State and Departmental Recommendations

• Align Maryland policies, regulations, and legislation to leverage Opportunity Zones
• Work with local jurisdictions on “One Stop” permitting
• Coordinate with federal, state, local government, developers and investors
• DHCD – update Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP) to provide multifamily housing incentives
• DHCD – provide loans and grants to leverage Opportunity Zone investments
• DHCD – establish information exchange to attract private sector capital
In Maryland, both personal and corporate income taxes use federally calculated AGI as the starting point.

Maryland automatically conforms to the current federal tax code.
State HFAs can bring resources to the table

LIHTC
- Housing
- 15 years
- 2-Step pricing for OZ / NOZ LIHTCs
- QAP points

OZ
- Business/Property
- 10 years
- Conform to Federal Tax Code
- Policy /Program focus
- OZ info exchange

NMTC
- Economic
- 7 years
- Minimal advantage
- Co-located with OZs.

HTC
- Historic
- 5 years
- In line with OZ benefits
- OZ info exchange
- Mapping of HTC properties/areas

Downtown Cumberland, Maryland
• COMMERCE - Tax Credits for creating new jobs / expanding job in OZs
• DLLR - Workforce training (EARN)
• DHCD – grants & loans
  • Rental Services
  • Strategic Demolition
  • Neighborhood Business Works
• TEDCO – Strategic Infrastructure Investment Fund
Opportunity Zones – Information Exchange
• A virtual meet up for investors, fund managers, property developers, new or expanding businesses, and local stakeholders
• A bulletin board tracking OZ news and investment activity
• A project / business locator for interested investors
• A search tool for financial incentives based on address and/or area
1.539 Acre Parcel, Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use, in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Mix

102 W. Potomac Street - Bramwick
Project - General

108.41 Acre Parcel Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Mix

1100 Wicomico
Project - Office

1231 Tech Court
Project - Office

17.758 Acre Parcel Zoned Limited Commercial Industrial in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Retail

1787 Capital Fund - Mix

1812 Greenmount
Project - Mix

2.21 Acre Parcel, Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Mix

2.34 Acre Parcel Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Mix

2.59 Acre Parcel Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use in Lexington Park, MD
Project - Mix

200-204 East Diamond Avenue
Project - Mix

27-286 Acre Parcel Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use in Lexington Park, MD

Opportunity Zone Listings

Listing Contact Information
Name:
1.539 Acre Parcel, Zoned High-Intensity Mixed Use, in Lexington Park, MD
Listing Type:
Project
Description:
1.539 acre parcel in Lexington Park, MD zoned high-intensity mixed use. About Lexington Park Lexington Park in St. Mary's County, Maryland offers coastal, country living in a high-tech world. With the most coastline of any county in Maryland and tobacco barns peppering the landscape, you can experience beautiful, bucolic landscapes and perfectly prepared new oysters. Lexington Park is home to Naval Air Station Patuxent River, where $40 billion of Navy procurement, research, development, test and evaluation takes place every year. That brings a substantial base of highly-skilled engineers, lawyers, and other business professionals, as well as advanced manufacturing trades. Economic Snapshot - Has the country's 5th highest concentration of high-tech workers - Ranked the 4th best place for tech jobs in the country (Nerdwallet) - 34 is the median age - Average income per household in 2016: $86,810 - 55 miles from Washington, D.C.
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Link to Information-Exchange
Link to DHCD Opportunity Zones

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